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Examiner Whiteman:

In response to the non-final office action mailed on May 6, 2004, we enclose the following:

- 1) Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated June 7, 2004 (1 page); and
- 2) Response to Election/Restriction Requirement with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated June 7, 2004 (2 pages).

Very respectfully,

Anton J. Hopen
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Practitioner's Docket No.: 1372.48.PRC

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In re Application of: Loree Heller et al.

Serial No.: 10/064,512

Filed: 07/23/2002

For: Method of Enhancing Therapeutic
Effect of Nucleic Acids

Art Unit: 1635

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a Response to Election/Restriction Requirement for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.


SIGNATURE OF PRACTITIONER

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Dear Sir:

Applicant responds to the nonfinal Examiner's action mailed May 6, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire June 7, 2004 as follows:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant elects to prosecute claims 2, 7 and 8, drawn to a method of eliciting an anti-tumor effect in a subject comprising delivering at least one nucleic acid to a tumor of the subject and applying an energy source to at least one nucleic acid, wherein the energy source comprises electrical output, classified in class 424, subclass 93.2.

REMARKS

If an Examiner's Amendment would place the pending claims in condition for allowance, a telephone call to the undersigned at (727) 507-8558 is requested.

Very respectfully,
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By: 

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Dated: June 7, 2004

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